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INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

THE Interests and Responsibility of Mr. SIR LEON ABRAHAM NATHAN in our Firm in Hongkong and China has ceased from the 1st instant.

E. D. SASOON &amp; Co.

Shanghai, 29th October, 1885. [1885]

NOTICE.

M. R. WILLIAM SISSON HUNTER, late of the Victoria Dispensary, having taken Charge of the HONGKONG PHARMACY, the Firm representing the Pharmacy shall in future be under the Style of HUNTER & CO. WOODFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1885. [1885]

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. O. & S. N. Co.'s Steamship "BAVENNA" will leave for the above place TO-DAY, the 6th instant, at THREE P.M.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1885.

FOR SHANGHAI.

"NINGPO."

Captain W. Potts, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, the 6th instant, at FOUR P.M.

SISSON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1885. [1885]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIAGO.

THE Steamship "GLENALLOCH," Captain Webster, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at NOON.

For Freight or Passages apply to JARDINE, MATTHESON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1885. [1885]

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamer

"KONG BENG."

Captain R. Jones, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 7th instant, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passages apply to YUEN FAT HONG.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1885. [1885]

NOTICE.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE."

D. Davies, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 13th instant.

ADAMSON, BELL &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1885. [1885]

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamer

"TANATS."

Captain Paul, will leave for the above Ports shortly after the arrival of the Mail steamer from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1885.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamer

"MELBOURNE."

Commandant Mac, will leave for the above Port shortly after his arrival with the French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1885.

NOTICE.

THE Fast &amp; Favorite American Clipper Ship

"SOUTH AMERICAN."

Frank Ford, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL &amp; Co.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1885. [1885]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE—GEORGE HOLMES, of No. 14, Praya Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Ship and Passenger Broker, having been adjudged Bankrupt, under a Petition for Adjudication of Bankruptcy filed in the Supreme Court of Hongkong, on the 16th day of October, 1885. Public Sitting for the said Bankrupt to state his last expenditure and make an account for his debts. Order of Discharge will be made before the Honourable Sir George Philp, Knight, Chief Justice of the said Court, at the Supreme Court House, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 21st day of December, 1885, at 11 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON of that day precisely.

ALFRED GASCONE Wise, Esquire, is the Official Assignee in the Bankruptcy, and the Undisputed are the Solicitors acting for the Bankrupt.

The First Meeting of Creditors has been duly held and at the Public Sitting above mentioned proofs of Debts of Creditors who have not proved will be received, and the said Bankrupt will be required to surrender himself to the said Court and to submit himself to be examined and to make a full disclosure of all his Estate and Effects, and to find his administration.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1885.

W. OUTON &amp; DEACON, Solitaires Acting in the Bankruptcy, 35 Queen's Road, Hongkong, 1885.

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British side of the frontier, between Siam and British Burmah, the guarantee would be required from the Government of India in the usual manner with such guarantees, the King being offered the same protection. On the Siam side, the guarantee would be given by the King of Siam or the capital most in Europe, or the railway would be constructed by the King out of his own revenues. He (Mr. Colquhoun) thought there would be no difficulty whatever in raising the requisite funds either in London, Manchester, or Berlin. As to the route alluded to by Mr. Gordon, it crossed Siam in height, with elevations of 8,000 feet in height, with terrible ravines between them; whereas the line which he (Mr. Colquhoun) advocated crossed only two ranges of 1,600 feet high. He had no hesitation in saying that the cost of the Burmese route would be four times as great as that which he had suggested.

Mr. Walter Leaf (who occupied the chair during the latter portion of the proceedings) said that Mr. Colquhoun had returned from the East at a time which was particularly opportune for the discussion of the questions raised in his address. From the first, the London Chamber had attached great importance to events in Indo-China, and particularly in Burmah, where he had great commercial interests, and they would continue to impress upon the Government the necessity of our interests being adequately protected. He begged to move the following resolution:

"That this meeting of the members of the London Chamber of Commerce and others interested in British trade with the East, having heard Mr. Archibald R. Colquhoun's address, hereby accord its thanks to Mr. Colquhoun and to Mr. H. H. S. Hart for the valuable services rendered by them by their clear, forcible, and logical ability, in studying and reporting upon the new markets of Indo-China and China, and the best means of opening them, and further, that the attention of Her Majesty's Government be directed to the great importance of these Eastern markets, and of the services of Mr. Colquhoun and Mr. Hart."

Mr. W. Westgate seconded the resolution, which was carried by acclamation, and briefly acknowledged by Mr. Colquhoun.

#### THE ENGLISH MAIL

The P. & O. steamer *Ravena*, with the English mail of the 2nd October, arrived here on Wednesday night. The subjunctive telegrams are taken from Ceylon and Indian papers:

#### THE EASTERN QUESTION.

PHILIPPIPOLIS, 17th October. A collective note has been presented to Bulgaria dissuading the Government from the concentration of troops on the frontier. Bulgaria has consented to withdraw the greater part of her troops. Prince Alexander, replying to an address at Sofia, said that he would sacrifice everything in order to secure peace.

#### SALONICA, 17th October.

The Albanians have agreed to a truce, and have expressed their readiness to assist the Porte against the common enemy.

#### LONDON, 17th October.

The Times publishes a telegram stating that Austria, Germany and Russia have recommended the Porte to invite the Great Powers to a Conference.

#### CONSTANTINOPLE, 18th October.

The Porte replied to the Collective Note, asking the Powers to co-operate in the settlement of the Bulgarian question, especially in consequence of the threatening attitude of Greece and Servia.

#### SOPHIA, 18th October.

The Bulgarian note to the Powers tends completely to their decision.

#### BELGRADE, 20th October.

The relations between Bulgaria and Servia are strained. King Mila has declined to receive the bearer of an autograph letter from Prince Alexander proposing an arrangement.

#### DEATH OF LORD STRATHEARN.

LONDON, 17th October. —Lord Strathearn, Portuguese Protectorate over DAHOMEY, 17th October.

Latest advice from the West Coast of Africa state that a Portuguese protectorate has been established over Dahomey.

#### THE DULMACH QUESTION.

RANGOON, 8th October. A private letter, dated Thayethmyo, the 3rd instant, says that the French Consul's departure from Mandalay is owing to a hint from the Burmese Government. Mr. Garavel, a Frenchman who obtained certain mining concessions at Mandalay some time ago, has just returned. Trade in Upper Burma is still nominal, but few passengers are proceeding thither. The Burmese Ministers are said to be quarrelling among themselves, some suggesting a French alliance, whilst a minority, who are afraid to speak their minds, are said to favour the re-establishment of a British Political Agent.

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#### RANGOON, 24th October.

Troops and military stores have been ordered to start for the British frontier without delay, and the general opinion was that Lord Dufferin's Government would stop short of an invasion of the British dominions. In reply he has been instructed to enquire whether the British Government will receive a Burmese embassy to negotiate for the re-establishment of the British embassy at Mandalay and a Burmese legation in London.

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#### HYDERABAD (SINDH), 10th October.

Some terrible murders have been committed at Hyderabad. Two sepoys of the Belooch Regt. here rained fire on the night of the 13th instant, killing 12 men, 1 woman, 1 child, and 1 horse. One was assisted, and killed a Barbary confederate, and a police sepoy. Several shots which were fired resulted unfortunately. Great consternation prevails in the town.

A new sum has been found for French pennies, People finding it difficult to dispose of these pennies to tradesmen, have, it seems, hit upon the expedient of using them for the fortification of their houses. The inhabitants of Oudea are posting notices, warning their purchasers not to contribute "foreign house money," as "they are not current, and can be parted with only with great difficulty and at great loss."

An extraordinary clerical farce has taken place at Polotsk in Croatia. There was an election in the town in connection with an ecclesiastical cause to be held at Zagreb, and Bishop Zibek, the Bishop of Polotsk, was elected candidate for the Archimandrite seal as an aspirant. After the election this priest chased the bishop through the streets to his lodgings, and there beat him unmercifully till the bishop's ears brought a crowd to the rescue.

#### COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 5th November.

Export Commodity.—The steamship *Dalrymple* sailed on the 29th October—For Havre—139 rolls matting, 22 cases chinaware, 37 packages canes, and 7 packages sundries. For Havre option Hamburg—248 packages merchandise. For Antwerp—21 boxes chinaware, and 8 packages sundries. For Hamburg—200 case stars—aniseed, 87 packages canes, 63 cases oil, 30 boxes preserves, 20 bags flour, 20 cases hams, 120 boxes dried fruit, 200 boxes tobacco. For Liverpool—Ginger—100 lbs. congee, 92,282 lbs. scented paper, 72,378 lbs. scented orange pekoe, 1,481 lbs. sorts, 1 case silks, and 88 packages sundries. For South America—400 packages tea. From Yokohama—5 cases curris. From Manila—case cigars.

OPUM.

Quotations are—  
Malwa (New) ..... \$540 per picoul, allow. of 34 catties.

Malwa (Old) ..... \$550 to \$560 per picoul, allow. of 24 to 34 catties.

Patau (New) ..... \$552 to \$584 per cwt.

Burma (New) ..... \$532 to \$575 per cwt.

Burma (Old) ..... \$500 per cwt.

ECHANGE.

On LONDON—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 95/-

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 95/-

Bank Bills, 30 days sight ..... 95/-

Bank Bills, 4 months sight ..... 95/-

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 95/-

ON PAIRS—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 4.33

Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 4.41

Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 3.84

Bank Bills, on demand ..... 2.23

ON CALCUTTA—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 227/-

Bank, on demand ..... 223

ON SHANGHAI—  
Bank, at sight ..... 2.87

Private, 30 days sight ..... 2.74

SHAPES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—100 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—\$45 per share.

Changchow's Insurance Company's Shares—\$82 per share.

North China Insurance—Tls. 300 per share.

Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 125 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—\$170 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

China Insurance Office, Limited—\$80 per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$37 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—67 per cent. premium.

Hongkong and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—\$6 per share.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—17 per cent discount.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited—30 per cent discount, nominal.

Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—\$50 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$37 per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$75 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—67 per cent. premium.

Hongkong and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—\$6 per share.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—17 per cent discount.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$85 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debtors)—1 per cent. premium, nominal.

Lucon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$80 per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—\$165 per share.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$160 per share.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$67 per share.

Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co., Limited—Par, nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A—2 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—5 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MURKIN, FALCON & CO'S REGISTER.)

Temperature—F.M. 70.00, F.C. 21.10.

Humidity—F.M. 70.00, F.C. 21.10.

Barometer—F.M. 30.12, F.C. 101.30.

Wind—N.W. 20, E. 10.

Clouds—80%.

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 5th November, 1885.

METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

4th November, 1885, 4 A.M.

Temperature ..... 60.09

Humidity ..... 30.33

Barometer ..... 30.12

Wind ..... N.W. 20

Clouds ..... 80%

W. DOBERCK.

Hongkong Observatory, 5th November, 1885.

#### VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.

VESSEL'S NAME.

CAPTAIN.

AT.

FOR VESSELS APPLY TO

Hongkong.

Adamson, Bell & Co.

P. & S. N. Co.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Butterfield & Swire.

Fuson & Co.

C. Crowley.

Torbeck.

Freeman.

## EXTRACT.

BONJOUR, PHILIPPE!  
Illustrous Chansellor! It's right for us  
All sentiments of jealousy to stife,  
Who in our day have played Antelyone.  
To here and there an unconsidered trifl,  
But must we own to just our amours touch  
When we reflect how our care rustics banner  
Was born abroad of old in style so much  
Inferior to the true Bismarckian manner.  
The "spacious times of G-d" Elizabeth,  
And of our first fine concluding rapture,  
Succes yield comparison; we hold our breath  
At your magnificence of varoled capture.  
Never when we were at our host's—  
Did we attain to the completeness splendid  
Of him who speaks the first.  
May grab the first—and this affair is ended.  
Never dared we play the children's game  
All round the world, with as no truly real.  
A young sea-captain, Prince, who just exclaims  
"Booyeur?" and whilst up goes the Imperial eagle!  
Never did Admiral Wenckom, ocean-bound  
From our ports, as from ours, so oft make exit  
With sealed instructions to keep sailing round  
And cry, "Hollo, an island let's amuse!"  
Tis a majestic spectacle, no doubt,  
This proud display of moral nerve and show!  
Yet must we venture to inquire straight out,  
How long perchance his destiny to continue?  
To he for ever stealing ravishes so  
All the other tenants of the planet  
Cannot to all eternity, you know,  
Delight and gratify your neighbours—car it.  
Think not we speak in Phrasian part;  
Our but the fooling of that reverend wrocker  
Who feared to give his flock long a start,  
Perched on the topmost deck of his "three-decker."  
Start fair, my brethren! That is all we say,  
We see not why the group of birds neglected,  
The river-mouth thatcheth itself away,  
The modish port blushing to be detected—  
We see not why these Ocean mermaids should  
Meet in the first chance cruiser each harman  
The less since cruises in her neighbourhood  
Soon nowdays invariably German).

No; if these accidental hints are not  
To lead to international entanglement,  
Let every unappropriated spot  
Be run, for like a plough, by fair arrangement.  
Let every nation enter for the race  
That owns a ship which seems a likely winner,  
And let the first that makes the wished-for place  
Run up its flag, and give the rest a dinner.  
Nor need your navy, Prince, the match refuse—  
As though to hold its own with ours unable,  
There are few, too many "worthless scraws"  
Our undoubtedly extensive stable.  
But if not speed, why then let luck decide—  
Patruck, and not stolt marche—anaration,  
And the experiment be boldly tried  
Of calling the entire unkindled creation.  
—Saturday Review.

## JOHN NEEDHAM'S DOUBLE.

## A STORY FOUND ON FACT.

[By JOSEPH HATION.]

## CHAPTER IV.

HOW THE DOUBLES MEET, AS RELATED IN A LETTER WRITTEN BY JOSEPH NORBURY TO HIS SISTER.  
"I am in New Hindman Hotel, London  
— Saturday afternoon.  
"My Dear Sister,—  
"The day of sailing of the Ocean Queen from Liverpool has been altered from today until Monday, owing to some slight accident that occurred to her when she was leaving dock. I am rather glad of this, as it enables me to remain in London a few hours longer, and to take some letters to a Judge in New York and to a High Court official, which are to be given to me by Mr. John N. Needham, M.P., who was recently one of the Lords of the Treasury, a very amiable gentleman, and the image of myself."

"Is not that strange? You have often said there is nobody in the world like me, and there is—my height (nearly), my hair, eyes, complexion, and stammer (never knew I had a stammer until I heard him speak), and a bachelier. Dick must look out, for I shall assuredly have my doubts at Brantling House when I come home, and as you are so fond of your foolish old brother, you will be sure to fall in love with Needham. You have said that I have lately had an expression in my eyes, a tired look, and that I was paler than usual. And the Honourable John Needham, M.P., is like me even in this—very odd, is it not?"

"Linchet in this way, Charles Northfield, our North Dorsetshire member, invited me to dine at the Reform. I want to keep the engagement a little early, and as I was waiting in the lobby I had a curious surprise. I thought there was a glass at the end of the corridor, and that the person approaching was myself—my reflection, you know; but it was another man! Meeting halfway we both raised and looked at each other, the person with a strange stage of surprise. I wish, I suppose, an amused smile. When we had passed each other, he turned and came after me."

"I beg your pardon," he said with a slight hesitation in his speech (natural-like mine). "Have we met before?"

"No," I said, smiling, and in a voice that sounded like an echo of his own. "No, we should never have forgotten it; for when first I saw you at the end of the corridor, I thought you were my reflection in a glass."

"Really," he said, "and how very strange. You seemed to me so much like myself, that fearing the way in which I started at you might seem an impertinence, I pause to apologize."

"It is not necessary, I assure you," I said.

Then with a smile he said, "Don't you think under the circumstances we ought to know each other?"

"With your permission," I said. "Yes," and handed him my card.

"And our initials are the same," he replied, ruminating in his pocket book for a card.

"Very odd, they are," I replied, as I read Mr. John Needham, M.P."

"Do you drive here?" he asked.

"Yes, I said, "and here is my host."

"Oh, Mr. Charles Northfield, said he, "C. N. can up." Then we shall meet again?"

"I hope so," I said, and Northfield added, "by all means."

"In the smoke room?" asked Needham.

"Yes," said Northfield. "An hour from now?"

"With pleasure."

"Thou art a rosy man," said Northfield, "rather embarrassed, it is thought; but only temporarily, and may yet live to be Promio."

"We are in the same room later, and Mr. Needham promised me some valuable introductions, two or three of which has already sent me early this morning; and I am to dine with him to-night at Portland Place. A mild sort of adventure, it is not? but very interesting to me, and I feel as if I had made no net, and valued friend. Am I not, better this morning, than last night?"

"Last night, I shall have to go to Liverpool, first train, Sunday morning, have a quiet few hours in the train to read Dickens' new book, and then write you a few lines before I sail for New York. London is very lively just now; and what is more important in your estimation is the fact that I feel much better. My love to Aunt Dorothy, to Dick, and to you, too."

"Yes, sir," said the footman.

"I shall not want you here. I am going out to-morrow."

"Yes, sir."

"You will stay all night, at Leighton Buzzard, and meet me both of you, with the day-train, at the Leighton station, at the first train on Monday."

"Yes, sir."

Mr. Needham looked at his watch.

"You have two hours to put up, your horses and no to the station. When you are ready I have a hotel for you."

"Yes, sir," said the footman.

"I shall have to go to the hotel, the first of which is 300 ft. long, with eastern sited holds, is almost completed."

the welcome missive had been travelling down to Wyndale must remain for narration in a succeeding chapter.

## CHAPTER V.

## A DIABOLICAL PLATE PAYS INTO DIABOLICAL.

"No, but I'm not come to dinner," said Needham to himself on Saturday morning; "so, that might compromise the situation. Suppose it is. He sat on Saturday night, year but hardly without; the servants must not see him."

Needham was in his bedroom. He had had a cup of tea and dry toast sent up—a very unusual thing with him. He was walking softly to and fro, in his dressing-gown and slippers. There was something tigerish in his walk, and something stealthy, catlike.

"He has no position to maintain; he went on, sometimes uttering his thoughts in a whisper, sometimes pausing to bite them, as it were, into his mind and purpose, as the modern engraver bites his line into the zinc with a burning acid; a widower and unhappy, no future, no public life, no relatives to rebuke, state or mother alive, a sister who is engaged to be married, and he simply goes to New York for change, the excuse being a possible windfall of property; fears of death, evidently, and possibly caring little for life. Yesterday I cared for neither, but with this new possibility. I long for it; but let me be no hypocrite, at this moment. The old people in Ireland—on my life under the circumstances are anything to them? No. Whatever happens I point to the one way—my way—the way I was going myself. My own plans are laid; they are simple and natural, and I see them in detail from first to last. On the eve of their fulfillment there comes to me this substitute, this second-self, to take my place. If I accept him, I shall put him into my place; detail for detail, and the only way is to drive him to the spot where the body of John Needham is to be discovered. There is no other way; but in view of the substitution, this second-self, to take my place. If I accept him, I shall put him into my place; detail for detail, and the only way is to drive him to the spot where the body of John Needham is to be discovered. There is no other way; but in view of the substitution, this second-self, to take my place. If I accept him, I shall put him into my place; detail for detail, and the only way is to drive him to the spot where the body of John Needham is to be discovered. There is no other way; but in view of the substitution, this second-self, to take my place. 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